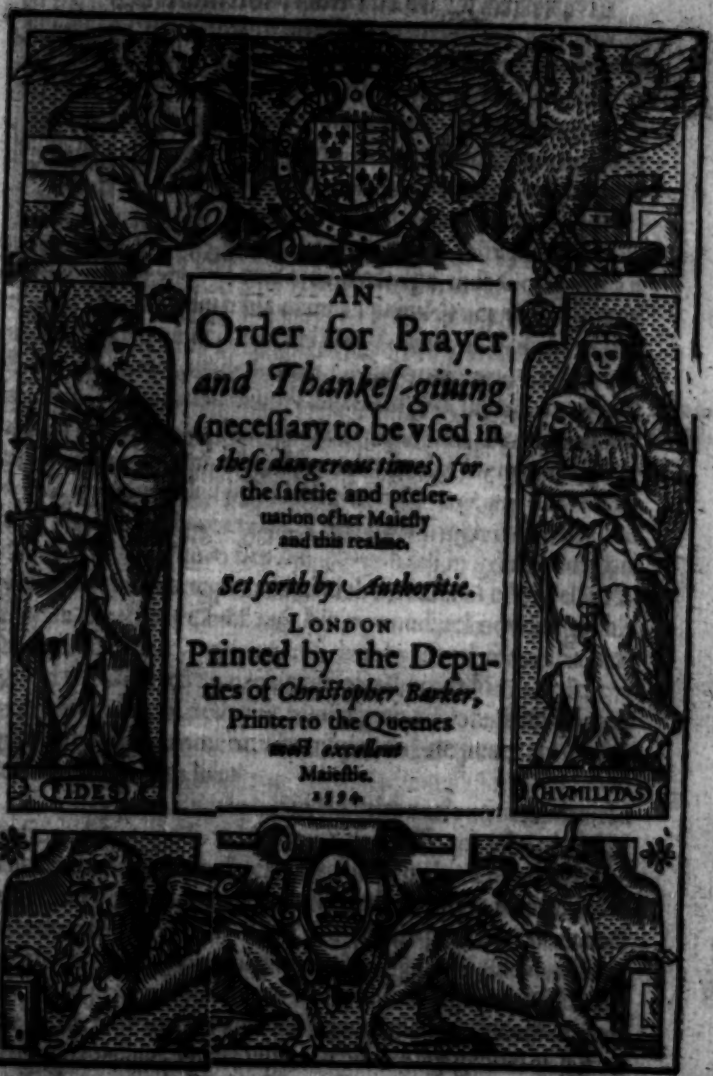

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Order for Prayer and Thankes-giuing

(neceſſary to be vſed in *theſe dangerous times*) for the ſafetie and preſer-uation of her Maieſty and this realme.

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THere haue beene sundry, but heathen men, (as *Plato* and others) being no better instructed, the the lame reach of reason could guide them, nor any clearer enlightened, then by the dimmed glimpse of nature, who neuertheles arriued thus farre, as to know and acknowledge that God, who is aboue all, extendeth his carefull prouidence ouer all, and especially in preseruation of kingdomes, and of other politique societies, and of their Gouernours and Rulers. *For that which may be knowen of God, is manifest* (saith Saint Paul) *among them: for God hath opened it vnto them. For his inuisible things being vnderstood by his works through the creation of the world, are seene: that is, both his eternall power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse.* Then how much more must al *Christians*, to whom the *Day-starre* hath in greater brightnes and measure appeared, and the treasures of *God* the *Father* in his sonne *Christ Iesu* bin opened, acknowledge this his prouidence, and reuerently adore and magnifie that good *God*, which to the heape of all other his mercies towardes them, addeth this blessing and protection of *Magistracie* & gouernment, whereby men liue peaceably with all honestly in this life?

Rom. 1. ver. 19, 20.

But if euer any nation, yea if all the nations in the world besides, haue cause with thankefulnesse to acknowledge this kinde of benefit, surely, we the people of *England* haue most iust and abundant occasion of all others, to performe this duetie vnto God. First, for placing ouer vs our most gratious dread Soueraigne Ladie *Queene Elizabeth*, by whose happie gouernment we haue so long breathed from the burden of intolerable miseries of *scarcity*, *bloodshed*, and *spirituall bondage*, vnder which afore we lay groueling, and pitifully groned. Then, for preseruing these her Realmes

and dominions so long in the true profession of the Gospel, & in peace and tranquillity, notwithstanding the sundry priuie cōspiracies and open hostilities practised both inward and outward for the interruption of our quiet repose and holy profession. Thirdly, for protecting so long & so often her sacred royall person from the cruell and bloodie hands of such and so many seueral detestable and treacherous Conspirators. And likewise for the Lords prouident and watchfull eye ouer her and vs, and for the woonderfull happie discoueries of so manifolde cruell designements so closely plotted against her innocent life, & so dangerously against her *Highnesse* Realmes and dominions. Which mischieuous deuises as they haue all flowed from none other fountaine, then from that citie of seuen hilles, the *Sie* of *Rome*, and sent of the *Beast*, not in regard of any desert of ours, but because we haue abandoned the cup of spirituall abhominations, wherewith these haue long intoxicated the kings of the earth: So haue they bene continually proiected, caried forwarde, and managed by idolatrous *Priests* and *Iesuites* his creatures, the very loathsome *Locusts* that crawle out of the bottomlesse pitte. Howbeit they haue bene and are mightily seconded by certaine *Potentates* of the earth, who do nothing els but serue themselues of that idolatrous *Romish religion*, as of a Maske and stalking horse, therewith to couer the vnsatiable ambition wherewith they are possessed of vsurping other mens *kingdoms*. For if we will first particularly cast our eyes vpon the variable conspiracies that haue bin entred into but against her Highnes realmes: shal we not find ytreason of the two *Pooles*, of *Felton*, & of the late Duke of *Northfolk*, of *Throgmorton*, of *Englefield*, of *Paget*, of *Shelley*, & *Stanley*, & *Yorke*, & of all the seminarie *Priests* and *Iesuites*, to haue bene tickled vp by Romish busses & practises, & to haue bin caried forward by their own grosse dotage vpō that absurd religion?

Apocal. 13. & 17.

As for those other attempts against her dominions,

which

which haue not stayed themselues in the bare termes of conspiracie onely, but haue also broken further into open rebellion & hostilitie: they likewise haue no lesse bin blown vp by that brood of *Masking Priests* being vnnaturall subiects (for the most part) of these *kingdomes*. For was not *Morton* a Priest sent from the *Popes* own side to stirre vp the two Earles & others vnto the Northren rebellion? Did not *Saunders* second his bookish treasons euen with banner displayed, and by commotion in *Ireland*? And doeth not that *carnall with-traitour Allen* proclaime to the world vnto his owne euerlasting reproche, that hee and others excited the *King* of *Spaines* inuincible *Nauie* (vainly so surnamed) by inuasiō to haue conquered his own natiue countrey, and to haue swallowed vs all vp? Yea, and in all those their latter hidden, hellish and daminable designes against her Maiesties owne person and life, such *Priestes* haue also beene the principall stirrers and agents vnder their vnholy father *Somerfield* and *Arden*, were not they drawn into that action by *Hall* the Priest? *Parry* by Cardinall *Como*, & by certaine English fugitiue Priests at *Rhillaine* and *Paris*, and also by *Allens* trayterous writings? *Babington* and all the other bloodie conspirators his complices by *Ballard* the Priest? So *Lopez* his late purpoled empoisoniug is said to haue bin first plotted and set forward in *Spaine* by *Parsons* the Iesuit Priest. And *Patrick o Cullen*, *Laton Kale*, *Paule Wheele*, & sundry others very lately were animated by *Holt*, *Hart*, *Sherwood* & other priests the detestable instruments of the Bish. of *Rome*, and of the king of *Spaines* most dishonorable intended execucions.

These & some other complots we see how desperatly they haue bin attepted, yet (thaked be God) are not atchieued: how perilously plotted, but are not perfected: how secretly deuised, yet most happily hitherto discouered to Gods infinit glory, & our vnspeakeable comfort. So that it may aptly be verified, that her Maiesties life hath al this while

him fusteined *in mine aduersitie*, & that vnder the shadow of his wings she hath not miscarried. All which whosoeuer he be that will attentiuely weigh & consider, & cannot see the very finger of God mightily working herein by his prouidēce & mercy, no doubt, he is insensible blockish: who seeth & will not acknowledge it, is wilfully malicious: but who acknowledgeth & talketh of the sweet blessings that are enioied therby, & is not most heartily thankful to God therfore, is extremely impious, and doth but adde this vngratefulnes vnto the masse of al his other wickednes, euen vnto his own greater damnation. Let euery of vs therfore who haue good wil to sō, turn frō our wicked waies, & frō the euil; is betwixt our hands, & inceſſantly with heart & voyce yeeld most hūble & hearty thanks to God our deliuerer. But let it not be for a day or two only, whiles the intended woūd doth (as it were) present it self fresh, & green before the eies of our minds; but continually, euen so long as we may iustly imagine the same deuill in his impes still to rage & to be preſt to deuoure vs; so long as *our habitatiō is amongst the Tents of Mesech*, & our *soules amongst Lions, who hunt after our liues*, & do greedily seek to *giue our Dearling to the dog, and to lay our honour in the dast*: to the intent, that (if it be so Gods good wil) our ioy may long and long be redoubled and trebled vnto vs vnder the happy gouernmēt of so gratious a *Soueraigne*. Which our bounden dutie that it may the more frequently and faithfully be performed of vs; it hath bin thought meet to publish this forme of prayer for the continuance of Gods mercies towards vs, and of thanks giuing for his vnspeakable goodnes in detecting so many conspiracies, and auerting so great mischiefes intended against vs. Which ductie of prayying and thanksgiuing there is no doubt, but euery true hearted *English* man and faithfull *Subiect* will both priuately and publikely from the bottom of his heart perfourme.

Psalme

Psalme 20.

The Lord heare thee in the day of trouble: the name of the God of Jacob defend thee.

2 Send thee help from the Sanctuarie: & strength thee out of Sion.

3 Remember all thy offerings: and accept thy burnt sacrifice.

4 Grant thee thy hearts desire: and fulfill all thy mind.

5 We will reioyce in thy salvation, and triumph in the name of the Lorde our God: the Lord performe all thy petitions.

6 Nowe knowe I that the Lorde helpeth his annointed, and will heare him from his holy heauen: euen with the wholesome strength of his right hand.

7 Some put their trust in Charets, and some in horses: but we will remember the name of the Lord our God.

8 They are brought downe and fallen: but we are risen, and stand vpright.

9 Saue Lord, and heare vs, O King of heauen: when we call vpon thee.

Psalme

Psalme 21.

THe King shall reioyce in thy strength, O Lorde: exceeding glad shall hee be of thy saluation.

2 Thou hast giuen him his hearts desire: and hast not denyed him the request of his lips.

3 For thou shalt preuent him with the blessings of goodnesse: and shalt set a crowne of pure golde vpon his head.

4 He asked life of thee, and thou gauest him a long life: euen for euer and euer.

5 His honour is great in thy saluation: glorie and great worshyp shalt thou lay vpon him.

6 For thou shalt giue him euerlasting felicitie: and make him glad with the ioy of thy countenance.

7 And why? because the king putteth his trust in the Lorde: and in the mercie of the most highest, he shall not miscarie.

8 All thine enemies shal feele thy hand: thy right hand shall finde out them that hate thee.

9 Thou shalt make them like a fiery ouen in time of thy wrath: the Lorde shal destroy them in his displeasure, and the fire

fire shall consume them.

10 Their fruite shalt thou roote out of the earth: and their seede from among the children of men.

11 For they intended mischiefe against thee: and imagined such a deuice as they are not able to performe.

12 Therefore shalt thou put them to flight: and the strings of thy bowe shalt thou make ready against ỳ face of them.

13 Be thou exalted Lord in thine owne strength: so will we sing and prayse thy power.

Psalme 27.

THe Lorde is my light and my saluation, whom then shall I feare: the Lord is the strength of my life, of whome then shal I be afraid?

2 When the wicked (euen mine enemies and my foes) came vpon me to eate vp my flesh: they stumbled and fell.

3 Though an hoste of men were laid against me, yet shall not my heart be afraid: and though there rose vp warre against me, yet will I put my trust in him.

4 One thing haue I desired of the Lord, which I will require: euen that I

may dwel in the house of the Lord al the daies of my life, to behold the faire beautie of the Lord, and to visit his Temple.

5 For in the time of trouble he shal hide mee in his Tabernacle: yea, in the secret place of his dwelling shal hee hide mee, and set me vp vpon a rocke of stone.

6 And now shal hee lift vp mine head: aboue mine enemies round about me.

7 Therefore wil I offer in his dwelling an oblation with great gladnes: I will sing & speake praises vnto the Lord.

8 Hearken vnto my voyce, O Lorde, when I cry vnto thee: haue mercie vpon me, and heare me.

9 My heart hath talked of thee, seeke ye my face: thy face, Lord, wil I seeke.

10 O hide not thou thy face from mee; nor cast thy seruant away in displeasure.

11 Thou hast bin my succour: leaue me not, neyther forsake mee, O God of my saluation.

12 When my father and my mother forsake me: the Lord taketh me vp.

13 Teach me thy way, O Lord: & leade me in the right way, because of mine enemies.

14 Deliuer me not ouer into the wil of mine

mine aduersaries: for there are false witnesses risen vp against me, and such as speake wrong.

15 I should vtterly haue fainted: but that I beleeue verely to see the goodnes of the Lord in the land of the liuing.

16 O tary thou the Lordes leasure: be strong, and hee shal comfort thine heart, and put thou thy trust in the Lord.

Psalme 31.

IN thee, O Lorde, haue I put my trust: let mee neuer be put to confusion, deliuer mee in thy righteousnes.

2 Bow downe thine eare to me: make haste to deliuer me.

3 And be thou my strong rocke, and the house of defence: ý thou mayest saue me.

4 For thou art my strong rocke, & my castel: be thou also my guide, and leade me for thy Names sake.

5 Draw me out of ý net that they haue laid priuily for me: for ý art my strength.

6 Into thy hands I commend my spirit: for thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of trueth.

7 I haue hated them that holde of su-

perſitions vanities: and my truſt hath beene in the Lord.

8 I wil be glad and reioice in thy mercy: for thou haſt conſidered my trouble, and haſt knowen my ſoule in aduerſities.

9 Thou haſt not ſhut mee vp into the hand of the enemie: but haſt ſet my feete in a large roome.

10 Haue mercie vpon me, O Lorde, for I am in trouble: and mine eye is conſumed for very heauines, yea, my ſoule and my body.

11 For my life is waren olde with heauineſſe: and my yeeres with mourning.

12 My ſtrength faileth me, becauſe of mine iniquity: & my bones are conſumed.

13 I became a reproofe among all mine enemies, but ſpecially among my neighbours: & they of mine acquaintance were afraide of mee, and they that did ſee mee without, conueyed themſelues from me.

14 I am cleane forgotten, as a dead man out of minde: I am become like a broken veſſell.

15 For I haue heard the blaſphemy of the multitude: and feare is on euery ſide, while they cõſpire together againſt me, & take their counſaile to take away my life.

16 But my hope hath bene in thee, O Lord: I haue saide, Thou art my God.

17 My time is in thy hand, deliuer me from the hand of mine enemies: and from them that persecute me.

18 Shewe thy seruaunt the light of thy countenance: and saue me for thy mercies sake.

19 Let me not be confounded, O Lord, for I haue called vpon thee: let the vngodly be put to confusion, and be put to silence in the graue.

20 Let the lying lips be put to silence: which cruelly, disdainefully, and despitefully speake against the righteous.

21 O how plentiful is thy goodnesse, which thou hast laide vp for them that feare thee: and that thou hast prepared for them that put their trust in thee, euen before the sonnes of men!

22 Thou shalt hide them priuily by thine owne presence, from the prouoking of al men: thou shalt keep thē secretly in thy Tabernacle frō the strife of tongues.

23 Thanks be to the Lord: for he hath shewed me marueilous great kindnesse in a strong citie.

24 And when I made haste, I saide:

I am cast out of the sight of thine eyes.
25 Neuerthelesse thou heardest ẏ voice of my prayer: when I tryed vnto thee.
26 O loue the Lord al ye his saints: for ẏ Lord preserueth thē that are faithful, & plenteously rewardeth the proud doer.
27 Be strong, and he shal stablish your heart: all yee that put your trust in the Lord.

Psalme 33.

Reioice in the Lord, O ye righteous: for it becommeth well the iust to be thankefull.
2 Praise ẏ Lord with harp: sing Psalmes vnto him with the Lute and instrument of ten strings.
3 Sing vnto the Lord a new song: sing prayses lustily (vnto him) with a good courage.
4 For the word of the Lorde is true: & all his workes are faithfull.
5 He loueth righteousnes & iudgemēt: the earth is ful of the goodnes of ẏ Lord.
6 By the worde of the Lorde were the heauens made: and all the hosts of them by the breath of his mouth.
7 Hee gathereth the waters of the sea together, as it were vpon an heape: and layeth

layeth vp the deepe in treasure house.

8 Let all y earth feare the Lord: stand in awe of him all ye that dwel in y world.

9 For he spake, and it was done: he commaunded, and it stoode fast.

10 The Lord bringeth the counsels of the heathen to nought: and maketh the deuises of the people to be of none effect, and casteth out the counsailes of Princes.

11 The counsaile of the Lorde shal endure for euer: and the thoughts of his heart from generation to generation.

12 Blessed are y people whose God is y Lord Jehoua: & blessed are the folk y he hath chosen to him to be his inheritance.

13 The Lord loked down from heauen: beheld all the children of men: from the habitation of his dwelling hee considereth all them that dwel in the earth.

14 He fashioneth al the hearts of them: and vnderstandeth all their workes.

15 There is no king that can be saued by the multitude of an hoste: neither is any mighty man deliuered by much strength.

16 An horse is counted but a vaine thing to saue a man: neither shal he deliuer any man by his great strength.

17 Behold, the eye of the Lord is vpon

them

them that feare him: and vpon them that put their trust in his mercie.

18 To deliuer their soules from death: and to feede them in the time of dearth.

19 Our soule hath patiently tarried for the Lord: for he is our helpe & our shield.

20 For our heart shall reioyce in him: because we haue hoped in his holy name.

21 Let thy merciful kindnesse (O Lorde) be vpon vs: like as we doe put our trust in thee.

Psalme 91.

WHoso dwelleth vnder the defence of the most Highest: shall abide vnder the shadowe of the Almightie.

2 I will say vnto the Lorde, Thou art my hope and my strong hold: my God, in him will I trust.

3 For he shall deliuer thee from the snare of the hunter: & from the noysome pestilence.

4 He shall defend thee vnder his wings, and thou shalt be safe vnder his feathers: his faithfulnesse and truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

5 Thou shalt not be afraid for any terror by night: nor for the arrowe that flieth by day.

6 For

6 For the pestilence that walketh in the darknes: nor for the sickenesse that destroyeth in the noone day.

7 A thousand shal fal beside thee, and ten thousand at thy right hand: but it shal not come nigh thee.

8 Yea, with thine eyes shalt thou behold: and see the reward of the vngodly.

9 For thou Lord art my hope: thou hast set thine house of defence very high.

10 There shal no euil happen vnto thee: neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.

11 For hee shal giue his Angels charge ouer thee: to keepe thee in all thy wayes.

12 They shal beare thee in their handes: that thou hurt not thy foote against a stone.

13 Thou shalt go vpon the Lion and Adder: the yong Lion and the Dragon shalt thou treade vnder thy feete.

14 Because he hath set his loue vpon me, therfore shal I deliuer him: I shal set him vp, because he hath knowen my Name.

15 He shal call vpon me, and I wil heare him: yea, I am with him in trouble, I wil deliuer him, and bring him to honour.

16 With long life wil I satisfie him: and shew him my saluation.

ALmighty and euerlasting God, Creator and Gouernor of all the world, by whom Kings do beare rule, & vnder whose prouidence they are wonderfully and mightily oftentimes protected from many feareful daungers, by which the malice of Satan and his wicked impes do seeke to intrap them: We giue vnto thy heauenly maiestie most humble and heartie thankes, for that it hath pleased thee of thine infinite mercy & goodnes in Christ Iesu so wonderfully to vphold, deliuer & preserue thine Hand-maid our most dread and Soueraigne Queene Elizabeth so many and sundry times from the cruell and bloody treacheries of desperate men, who addresse themselues to all wickednes, & at this time especially, wherein her innocent life was shotte at by diuers wicked deuignements of blood-thirsty wretches & traytors. And we doe most humbly and from the bottom of our hearts pray and beseech thee in Christ Iesu, to continue this thine vnspeakeable goodnes towards her & this realme, and euermore to defend & protect them. O Lorde dissipate and confounde al practises, conspiracies, and treasons against her, against this realm of England, & against the trueth of thine holy word here taught and professed. Smite our enemies (good Lord) vpon the cheekbone, breake the teeth of the vngodly, frustrate their Psal. 3.
counsels, and bring to nought all their deuises. Let Psal. 7.
them fall into the pit, that they haue prepared for vs: Psal. 35.
Let a sudden destruction come vpon the vnawares: and the net that they haue laid for others priuily, let it catch themselues, that they may fal into their owne mischiefe.

mischiefe. Let them bee ashamed and confounded to- Psal.40.
gether, that seeke after her life to destroy it. Let them
be driuen backeward and put to rebuke, that wish her
euill: so that the whole world and all posteritie may
see and know how mightily with thy fatherly care & Psal.91.
prouidence thou watchest ouer and defendest those
which put their trust in thee, and are in the hand of
the most highest, and dwel vnder the shadow of the al-
mighty: And that those which seeke thee, may be ioy-
full and glad in thee, and all such as loue thy Saluati- Psal.40.
on, may say alway, The Lord bee praised. Graunt this
(O most louing and mercifull father) for thy deare
sonnes sake Iesus Christ our Lord and onely Sauiour.
Amen.

Another.

O Almightie and eternal God, creator and gouer-
nour of the whole worlde, vnto whom all power
belongeth ouer all creatures both in heauen & earth,
who spake the word & they were made, commaunded
and al things were created, & by who alone it is, that
not only all Kings and Princes do rule and gouern the
people committed to their charge, but are likewise by
thy diuine prouidence and mighty protection (so long
as it seemeth best to thy godly wisedome,) defended
and deliuered euen in the midst of all their perils and
dangers, out of the hands of all their enemies: we
yeeld vnto thee most humble and hearty thanks, for
that it hath pleased thy gracious goodnes according
to thine accustomed fauour towards her, still to pre-
serue and defend thy welbeloued Hand-maid and our
most gracious Queene Elizabeth from all the wicked
conspiracies, traiterous attempts, and deuilish deuis-
es, which either the forrein and professed enemies a-
broad, or els her most disloyal, desperate, & rebellious
Subiects at home, were able at any time to deuise and

practise against her. But especially (O Lord) at this time, as iust occasion is offered vnto vs all, we all euen from the bottome of our hearts praise thy holy name, and giue thee most hearty & vnfeined thanks for this thy late and most happy deliuery of her Maiesties most royall person from all those manifolde treasons which were most wickedly inuented and cruelly attempted against her: most humbly beseeching thee of thine infinite goodnesse and mercie, still to continue thy fatherly protection ouer her, daily to encrease and multiply thy heauenly blessings & graces vpon her. Be thou euer vnto her (O Lorde God of hostes) euen a strong rock & towre of defence against the face of al her enemies, which either openly abroade, or secretly at home go about to bring her life vnto y graue, and lay her honour in the dust. Disclose their wicked Counsels, and make frustrate all their deuillish practises in such sort, as that all the world may learne and know, that there is no counsell, no wisedome, no pollicy against the Lord. And if it be thy will (O Lorde) either giue them grace in time to see howe in vaine they still kicke against the pricks, and doe seeke to depose her whome thou doest exalt, and so acknowledge and repent them of these their sinnes, and thus conuert them in thy mercy: or els in thy iust iudgements (if with the wilful, obstinate, and reprobate sinners they still harden their hearts and wil not repent) let all the enemies (O Lord) let all the malicious & deadly enemies of thine annoynted seruant and our most gracious Queene Elizabeth perish together. Let them fall into the ditch which they haue digged for others, and be taken in their owne nets: but let her Maiestie (O Lord) euer escape them, that all the world may see how deare and precious in thy sight the life of this thine annoynted is,

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who doth not so much as imagine this euil against them that thus continually thirst after her blood: wherefore (O Lord our God, king of kings, and Lord of al Lords, vnto whose eyes al things are open, and from whom no secrets are hid, who only knowest al the deuises and thoughts of men, and searchest out the depth of their hearts) thou knowest (O Lorde) that nothing at any time hath bin more deare vnto thine annoynted Hand-maid Elizabeth our Queene, then the publike good and benefit of thy Church, and the godly peace and vnity of all good Christians amõg themselues. Wee beseech thee therefore of thy great goodnes (O Lord) still to looke downe from heauen, and behold her with thine eye of pitie and compassion, daily with thy mighty power and stretched out arme to saue and deliuer her from all her enemies; preserue and keepe her as the apple of thine own eye, and grant vnto her (O most mercifull father) a long, prosperous, and happie reigne ouer vs, and prolong her dayes as the dayes of heauen here vpon earth, that she may be an olde mother in Israel, and see her desire vpon all thine and her enemies, though in number neuer so many, or in power neuer so mightie. And finally after this life, giue vnto her euerlasting life, through Iesus Christ thine onely sonne and our onely Saviour.

Another.

O Most gracious God and our most louing and mercifull father, which hast not only created vs, and all things by thy power, but hast also continued our preseruation by thy holy prouidence, therein working wonderfully, reuealing things hidden and secret, as thou doest discouer the bottoms & foundations

tions of the deepe: how can wee worthily praise thy goodnes, or sufficiently declare thy louing kindenesse which thou hast at all times shewed vnto vs thy seruants in the land of the liuing? we magnifie thy glorious name: thou hast a mightie arme, strong is thy hand, and high is thy right hand, yea thy wisedome is infinite. The prowd haue risen against thee, O Lord, and against thine annointed our Soueraigne vnder thee, and against thy people that call vpon thy name: but thou hast cast them downe from time to time, and scattered them abroad, for thy mercie endureth for euer. They haue taken wicked counsels together, saying, None shal be able to espie it: but thou hast opened them, and brought them out of darknes into light, for thou art God alone which destroyest the wisedom of the wise, and castest away the vnderstanding of the prudent, therefore do we worship thee and praise thy holy Name, reioycing continually in thy strength and thy saluation, for thou art the glorie of our power, and by thy fauor and louing kindnesse are wee preserued. Our shield and defence belongeth to thee (O Lord of hostes) and our gracious Prince to thee, O thou Holie one of Israel. And because thou hast loued her for thy names sake, and the glorie of thy kingdome vpon the earth, and vs also thy people to whom thou hast giuen her, and many excellent blessings together with her righteous gouernement, thou hast many times also preserued and kept her as the apple of thine eye, from the mischieuous imaginations, and cruell handes of thine and her enemies, & from the secret practises of those that haue indeuoured to rise vp against her. Thou (O Lord) hast preserued her Honour from the ignominy, her life from the crueltie, & her Crowne from the tyrannie of the wicked, her estate from ruine, her

peace from disturbance, her kingdome and her people from being a pray to the malignant. The foote of pride hath come against vs, but the hand of iniquitie hath not cast vs downe: Therefore do we reioyce before thee, and be glad in thee, yea our songs doe wee make of thy name, O thou most Highest, and will be euer setting forth thy praise & thy glorie, thy might, and thy mercie from one generation to another. Only, O Lord, forsake vs not in this time of our age, vntil we haue shewed thy strength to this generation, and thy power to all that are yet for to come. And albeit if thou Lord in thy displeasure do mark among vs all what is done amisse, there is none that can abide it, yet forsake vs not, nor leaue vs, O God of our saluation. Giue courage and constancie to our Soueraigne to perseuere in perils: prudence, and wisedome to her Counsell wisely to foresee and discouer the subtil sleights and dangers of all enemies: faithfulnes and fortitude to the Nobles of the land, duty & obedience to vs all that are vnder her. Forgiue also we most humbly pray thee throughout thy fatherly kindnes in Iesus Christ the multitude of our sinnes, and transgressions against thy diuine maiestie, and thy commaundements, and according to the multitude of thy mercies doe away all our offences, that the light and candle of thy seruaunt Elizabeth our gracious Queene and Gouernor, which is our life in the light of thy countenance, and the breath of our nostrils, bee not put out, but may still shine and burne bright, illumined by the beames of thy heauenlie grace. Protect her (O Lord) we still beseech thee in safetie, saue her in maiestie, keepe her in peace, guide her in counsell, and defend her in danger: blesse her, Lord, in al temporal and celestial blessings in Christ, that she may still blesse thee: for in death no man re-

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membrely thee, and who shall giue thee thankes in the pit? Detect and reueale still the foundations and buildings of all treasons and conspiracies both at home and abroad, and herein (O Lorde) either conuert the wicked hearts & secret conceits from their wicked imaginations, or confound their deuises, and make them as the vntimely fruit that they neuer see the sunne. Say (O Lord) to her soule as sometime thou diddest to Abraham the father of the Faithfull, I am thy buckler and thy exceeding great reward: and as thou diddest sometime to the soule of thy seruant Dauid, I am thy saluation, with my holie oile haue I annointed thee. Therefore my hand shall hold thee fast, and mine arme shall stablish thee. The enemy shall not be able to do thee violence, the sonne of wickednes shall not hurt thee. I will beate downe thy foes before thy face, and plague them that hate thee. Heare Lord, and saue vs O King of heauen, when wee call vpon thee, and so shall wee all both Prince and people dwell still vnder the shadow of thy wings, protected by thy power, and preserued by thy prouidence, and ordered by thy gouernance, to thy euerlasting praise, and our vnspeakeable comfort in Iesus Christ, to whom with thee, O Father and God of al consolation, and the holy Spirit of sanctification, be al honor and glory both nowe and for euer.

Amen.

Prayers.